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'In re Application of: Inokuchi et al. 10/007,742 Application No.

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Transmitted herewith is a response to an office action in the subject application. Applicants claim small entity status of this application under 37 CFR 1.27.

Petition for Extension of Time

Applicants petition for a three-month extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136, the fee for which is \$930.00 (enclosed).

Applicants believe that no petition for an extension of time is necessary. However, to the extent that such petition is deemed necessary, Applicants hereby petition for a sufficient extension of time to render the present submission timely. Please charge Deposit Account No. 12-1216 for the appropriate petition fee.

No additional claim fee is required.

Other: Adherence Handbook, 2nd edition, edited by the Japan Adhesive Tape Industry Association Adherence Handbook Editorial (1995), pages 171-173 (English translation of Table 1 of page 173); and Wild et al., J. Polymer Sci., 20, 441-455 (1982).

The claim fee has been calculated as shown below:

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Any filing fees under 37 CFR 1.16 for the presentation of extra claims.

Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.

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